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STATE OF ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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In the Matter of the Docket No. 05A-157-INS Surrender of the Certificate **ORDER** of Authority of American States Life Insurance Company (NAIC No. 60879), Petitioner.

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Based upon reliable evidence provided to the Director of Insurance by the Assistant Director of the Financial Affairs Division of the Department of Insurance, the Director finds as follows:

- Petitioner, American States Life Insurance Company, NAIC No. 60879, is 1. a foreign insurer domiciled in Indiana. Petitioner received its certificate of authority to transact life and disability insurance in Arizona on August 18, 1965.
- 2. Effective October 1, 2005, Petitioner, the non-surviving entity, merged into Symetra Life Insurance Company (SLIC), NAIC No. 68608, the surviving entity, a foreign insurer domiciled in Washington State. The surviving entity is authorized to transact insurance in Arizona. Petitioner has voluntarily surrendered its certificate of authority to the Director.

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